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DME Rental SAR

After confirming the billing and SAR decrementing process with EDS regarding the rental of wheelchairs, here is the process. If you are issuing a rental SAR and it is for more than one month, you need to increase the units to equal the number of months that the SAR is for, so if it's a 6 month rental then the units needs to be 6 and so on.

Emergency Medical Transportation

The same logic applies to the emergency medical transportation codes, if the provider requests 2 trip codes we need to authorize 2 trip codes, if they use 4 units of waiting time you need to issue the waiting time code with a units of 4, if there are 2 attendants then the number of units should be multiplied by 2 for the total units authorized.

CMS will be creating a Service Code Grouping for emergency transportation that includes all the codes in the near future that will help address authorizations for emergency medical transportation. As an FYI, the codes for emergency transportation are below:

HCPCS Code	Description	Allowance
AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION		
Response to Call		
A0999 * ††	Unlisted (invoice must be attached)	By Report
X0002 * §	Response to call, two patients, each patient	37.02
X0004 *	Night call – 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.	9.88
X0006 * §	Emergency run	9.88
X0008 * †	Neonatal intensive care incubator	51.49
X0010 * Å	Ground ambulance waiting time over 15 minutes; each 15 minutes	9.88

X0012 * †	Compressed air for infant respirator	10.23
X0014 *	Extra attendant – RN/EMT first hour	16.44
X0016 *	Extra attendant – RN/EMT 2nd and 3 rd hour each	11.51
X0018 *	Extra attendant – RN/EMT (each additional hour)	5.25
X0020 *	Cost of I.V. fluids (invoice must be attached)	By Report
X0022 *	ECG in ambulance	16.07
X0030 * §	Ambulance service, Basic Life Support (BLS) base rate, emergency transport, one way (includes allowance for emergency run)	118.20
X0032 *	Non-emergency transportation, ambulance, base rate, one way	107.16
X0034 *	Ambulance service, (BLS), per mile, transport, one way	3.55
X0036 *	Ambulance service, oxygen, administration and supplies, life sustaining situation	9.88